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FOR ANDREWS FROM WORTZEL

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OGEN
SUBJ: OFFICIAL INFORMAL

1. WE HAVE SNAPPED TO ATTENTION AND WILL FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING NIMITZ FLIGHT OPS. HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THAT WE LACK ADEQUATE INSTRUCTIONS. STATE 061726 (PARA 3) ONLY PROVIDES FOR DAO TO PASS THE ATC INFORMATION WHICH WE NOW HAVE FROM THE NIMITZ. I THINK IT WOULD BE A MISTAKE IF WE DID NOT FIRST GO IN TO FSFA TO MAKE TWO POINTS: (1) WE DO NOT SHARE THE YUGOSLAV VIEW THAT THE ADRIATIC IS UNSUITABLE FOR FLIGHT OPS AS LONG AS YUGOSLAV TERRITORY IS RESPECTED. WE ARE NOT INSENSITIVE TO TIMING (WITH REFERENCE TO TITO VISIT AND RECENT PROBLEMS IN FLIGHT OPS) AND CONSIDERED TIMING, BUT THE SCHEDULED NIMITZ VISIT TO VENICE AND THE SCHEDULED NIMITZ VISIT TO VENICE AND THE JOINT US-ITALIAN T NATURE OF THE OPERATION PRECLUDE ANY DELAY.
(2) WE PLAN TO UTILIZE NORMAL ICAO ATC NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES TO INFORM YUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES IN THE FUTURE WHEN FLIGHT OPS TAKE PLACE NEAR YUGOSLAV WATERS. THIS TIME, ON AN EXCEPTIONAL BASIS, WE WILL INFORM THEM EVEN THOUGH THE OPS WILL BE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ADRIATIC.

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2. WE SHOULD DO THIS, IF YOU ALL AGREE, TOMORROW OR WEDNESDAY AT THE LATEST. LET US KNOW.

3. WE WILL BE REPORTING THAT DAVID EVANS WILL BE CONTROL FOR CODEL ROSTENKOWSKI. SINCE HE MUST BE IN NEW YORK FOR THE ECON COUNCIL SESSION APRIL 4, WE MAY ASK THAT HE BE GIVEN A SEAT ON THE PLANE FROM DUBROVNIK TO ANDREWS. WE'LL LET YOU KNOW IF WE

NEED HELP.

4. TOUR RECENT POLICY EXERCISE AND THE TITO VISIT HAVE AGAIN DRAWN ATTENTION TO THE DUAL NATIONAL PROBLEM, WHICH WE CONTINUE TO TREAT LIKE THE WEATHER AS MARK TWAIN PORTRAYED IT. AS, I SUSPECT, ALL MY PREDECESSORS HAVE, I DISCUSSED THE PROBLEM SOME TIME AGO WITH THE HEAD OF THE FSFA CONSULAR DEPARTMENT. WHILE WE BOTH MOSTLY COVERED THE WELL-TROD GROUND, HE ADDED SOMETHING WHICH, AT LEAST JUDGING FROM OUR FILES, IS NOT PART OF THE DOCTRINE. ASSERTING THAT, JUST AS THE YUGOSLAVS CANNOT RECOGNIZE DUAL NATIONALITY IN A CITIZEN HERE, THEY DO NOT CLAIM RIGHTS FOR A YUGOSLAV-AMERICAN IN THE US, HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT THE YUGOSLAV POSITION IS BASED UPON THE HAGUE CONVENTION ON CERTAIN QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE CONFLICT OF NATIONALITY LAWS OF APRIL 1930. FROM MATERIALS IN THE EMBASSY, WE CANNOT TELL EXACTLY WHAT THIS CONVENTION PROVIDES, AND INFER THAT WE ARE NOT A SIGNATORY. I SUSPECT THAT SOMEONE IN L HAS ANALYZED THIS THOROUGHLY. WHILE I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT EFFECT, IF ANY, THE HAGUE CONVENTION MIGHT HAVE ON OUR POSITION ON THE ISSUE OF DUAL NATIONALS, I WONDER WHETHER DARRYL COULD TRY TO ACTIVATE SOMEONE IN L (OR CA) TO GET US SOME COMMENT ON THIS. WE ALL FEEL THAT SOMETHING SHOULD BE DONE ABOUT DUAL NATIONALS BUT, AT THIS POINT, I FEEL STYMIED. AN UP-TO-DATE EXPERT EVALUATION, IF THE EXPERTS ARE WILLING, WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

5. THANKS AGAIN FOR THE TITO VISIT RUNDOWNS. TITO'S REMARKS AT
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THE AIRPORT SATURDAY EVENING COULD HARDLY HAVE BEEN WARMER.

6. WE ASSUME THAT THE PEOPLE WHO WERE WORRYING ABOUT KARKOS AND THE OTHER TWO UKRAINIAN-AMERICANS WHO TRIED TO GET THEMSELVES IN TROUBLE HERE FOUND THEM. IT WAS SATURDAY BEFORE WE COULD GET ANY OFFICIAL WORD, WHICH WAS TO THE EFFECT THAT (1) KARKOS (AT LEAST) HAD LEFT FRIDAY, AND (2) THERE WAS NO YUGOSLAV OBJECTION TO THEIR BEING HERE AND THEY WERE NOT IN TROUBLE.
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